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Applicants: Mondragon-Parra et al.)
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 30, 2007, received in the above application, in which the Examiner addresses the Amendment filed July 13, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.